



CONTEST RULES

1. The Montgomery County Drug-Free Coalition's Poster and Poetry Contest, is open to all Montgomery County students in grades 6 through 12. There is no fee to enter.
2. Contest entrants will compete in one of two Divisions:
Division 1: Grades 6 through 8 **or** Division 2: Grades 9 through 12.
3. Entries **must** increase public awareness of the harmful effects of heroin, opiates, and illegal prescription drugs and should include the slogan "Saving our Community."
4. Each entry must be the original work of the individual student.
5. Poster Guidelines:
 - Posters must be no larger than standard poster board size (22" x 28") and no smaller than 8.5" x 11".
 - Posters may be in color or black and white. Students may use a variety of media, such as watercolor, pen and ink, crayon, chalk, markers, etc. Keep in mind, the winning poster(s) may be reproduced or reprinted, so clear artwork and easy to read messages are best.
 - Posters should not be laminated or mounted on mat board.
6. Poetry Guidelines:
 - Written poetry must be either typed (preferred) or legibly written in ink (pencil does not photocopy).
 - Poetry should not exceed 32 lines in length (written).
 - Poetry with incomplete or illegible writing will not be judged.
7. You may paper clip (do not staple, glue, or tape) the entry form to the poster/poetry.
8. Each entry must be submitted with a Montgomery County Drug-Free Coalition Contest Entry Form. **The name, grade, school, and teacher of the person entering the poster/poetry should be included on the BACK of the entry.** Please refrain from writing your name or other identifying information on the front of the poster/poetry.
9. All entries become the property of the Montgomery County Drug-Free Coalition and will not be returned.
10. Deadline for Entries: Posters must be received by 4:00 p.m. on February 2, 2018, to be eligible for judging.
11. All winners will be notified by Friday, February 16, 2018. One overall Grand Prize winner will be selected, with a first and second place runner-up from each division. All contestants will be recognized for their participation.

Overall Grand Prize Winner: * \$100 cash prize
* College scholarship of choice (subject to acceptance and enrollment) to Sinclair Community College (9 credit hours), or the University of Dayton (\$5,000).
* Reproduction of artwork for distribution at various Coalition events

Division 1 and Division 2: * **1st Place:** One-month pass to K12 Gallery & TEJAS for any Saturday Series class (Value of each is \$120!)

* **1st and 2nd Place:** \$50 Cash prize

Mail or drop off all contest entries to:
Montgomery County Drug-Free Coalition Poster/Poetry Contest
345 W. Second St., 4th Floor Administration
Dayton, OH 45422

Office Hours: Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.



MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Montgomery County Drug-Free Coalition is to promote a drug-free community by mobilizing diverse partnerships for prevention and enforcement.

VISION STATEMENT

Our vision is that the citizens of Montgomery County will live in an educated, healthy community that is intentionally drug free.

GOALS

The Coalition has the following goals:

- Goal #1: Enhance and expand efforts to address the specific problems of heroin and illegal prescription drug use by Montgomery County residents.
- Goal #2: Increase public awareness of the harmful effects of heroin, opiates, and illegal prescription drugs.
- Goal #3: Strengthen and mobilize collaboration that improves community efforts to promote and implement effective, research-based prevention strategies.
- Goal #4: Identify community service providers to help simplify access for families seeking help.
- Goal #5: Develop, implement, and support environmental strategies.
- Goal #6: Reduce risk factors and promote protective factors among youth and adults concerning substance abuse.
- Goal #7: Strengthen family, school, community, and individual protective factors.
- Goal #8: Create an environment to encourage drug-free life styles.
- Goal #9: Liaison and collaborate with other community intervention, treatment, and recovery programs.